

REMARKS

This corrected amendment is presented pursuant to a telephone discussion with Examiner Ratcliffe on May 2, 2006. It was noticed after submission of the previous amendment dated April 25, 2006 that the amended claims therein did not include markups indicating additions and deletions as is required under the applicable rules. When this was brought to Examiner Ratcliffe's attention during the above-referenced telephone discussion, Examiner Ratcliffe suggested that a corrected amendment be filed showing the claims in marked-up form. This action is taken herein. Specifically, claims 1, 14 and 40 include markups showing additions and deletions that are to be made.

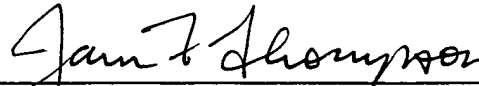
The Examiner is referred to the previous amendment (April 25, 2006) for the Remarks accompanying the amendments that address the issues raised in the Office Action dated January 25, 2005.

It is believed that no fee is due for this corrected amendment, as the earlier amendment was filed before the 3-month response deadline. But if an extension of time and fee are required, then Applicants hereby petition for any such required extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-3661.

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If the enclosed papers or fees are considered incomplete, the Patent Office is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (508) 616-2900, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

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